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RESPONSE TO JANUARY 27, 2005 "NOTICE OF NON-RESPONSIVE AMENDMENT"

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 February 8, 2005

Sir:

The Examiner has indicated that a timely submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.29(a) filed on January 16, 2003 is not fully responsive to section 2 of the prior final Office Action. It is requested that the Examiner clarify what is meant on the record since the prosecution has advanced to the point that Applicant has filed a Request for Continued Examination on October 19, 2004 including a Preliminary Amendment which was indicated to be responsive to the final action dated May 19, 2004 in the Advisory Action of September 20, 2004.

Therefore, it is understood that the communication was sent in error.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135

(Case No. 0171.40089X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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